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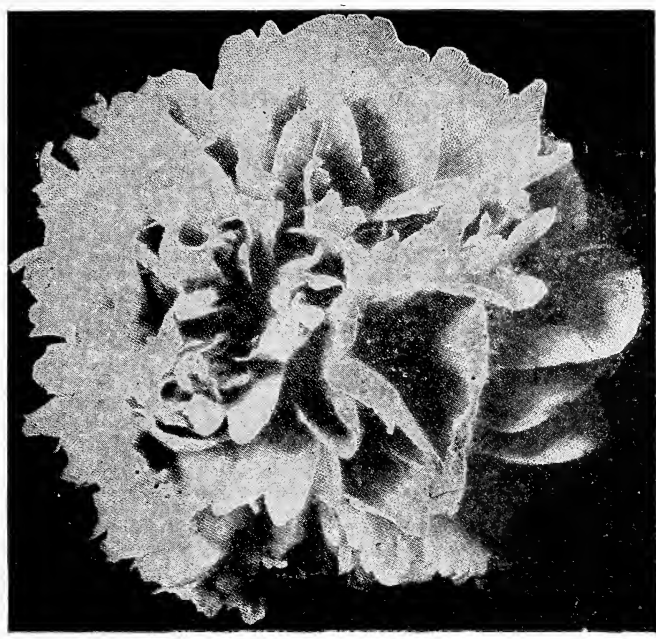
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# Paeonies



Thirty Acres of Paeonies Grown for  
Cut Flower Purposes by

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# My 30th Year With Over 30 Acres

## Now Devoted to the Growing of Paeonies

### Also Have 5 Acres of Iris

Within the past few years the Paeonie has been brought to prominent notice—as a cut flower for decoration work, also for massing in landscape work. The range of colors is becoming more and more varied through hybridizing—that from the older range of colors, white, pink, red and crimson, many tints in these colors are now found; aside from this, robustness of plant, together with form of flowers, range of seasons, blooming extending for nearly two months.

Now for a brief word on preparation of soil, etc.

To procure the best results it will be necessary to bring the soil to proper fertility, as the Paeonie is a feeder and the soil therefore must be brought up to its needs. The best soil we find is one not too porous, yet not so wet that the roots are almost continuously in moisture. Well rotted manure, well mixed in the soil is a good foundation to build on. Do not use fresh manure, if it can be avoided, but as a top dressing for winter protection, a light covering can be used.

**Cultivation.** Do this as you would raise a good crop of corn or potatoes and it will suffice for the Paeonies. **PLANTING TIME** is best from September 1, to November 1. The earlier of these dates the better. Set plants so crown or eyes of plant are about two inches below the surface of soil. To grow for cut flower trade, plant two feet in row and four feet between rows, some of the tall growing kinds should be planted 3x5 feet.

**Packing.** At price in this list, no charge for **PACKING**. Packing for shipment will be done in thorough manner to insure safe arrival of goods. Would, however, suggest that where quantity ordered does not exceed 30 pounds in weight, same be ordered sent by express. We wish it distinctly understood that we do not assume carrier's or forwarder's responsibility, when we have transmitted the bill of lading given by the forwarders.

**Claims.** When it is apparent that same rests with us it will be promptly rectified if notice is given within a reasonable time after arrival of goods. Kindly make your subject concise so that we can understand where error is.

**Guarantee of Genuineness.** We exercise the greatest care to keep our varieties true to name, and we hold ourselves in readiness at all times to replace on proper proof, all stock that may prove otherwise or refund the amount paid; but it is mutually agreed that we shall not at any time be liable for any amount greater than the original cost of the goods.

**Terms.** Cash, or satisfactory bank references. Remember, however, that when reference is given, it will require time to correspond relative, which must cause some delay in execution of order. All charges for collecting and return of money must be borne by the purchaser.

**References.** Our home references: Cashier State Bank, Sarcoxie, Missouri; Cashier, First National Bank, Sarcoxie, Missouri; also any of the following merchants: Red Front Mer. Co., Hoffman Bros., or any business firm in Sarcoxie.

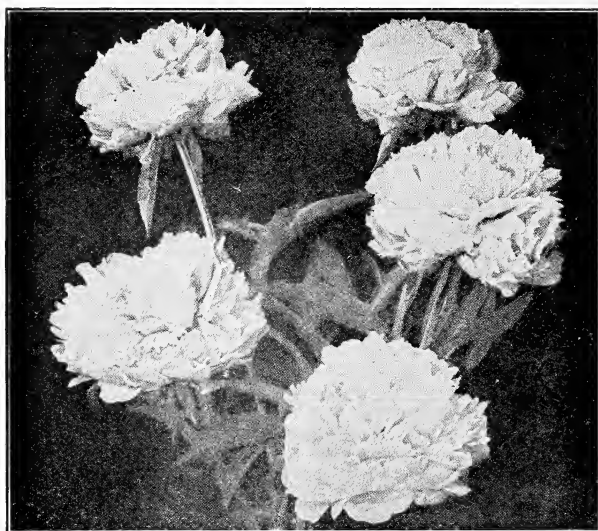
# Pointer on Growing for Cut Flower Trade

In planting paeonies for cut flowers, do not plant out a long list of varieties. Take the advice of a grower who has been supplying a good share of the Decoration Day stock for years. Following are a few reasons: First, in cutting, about all varieties must be at different stages before they are ready to cut, or at least look different. For good results they must be cut just right, which is a little hard to do if you have a good many different varieties and are employing several cutters that are not acquainted with each and all varieties. Again, each color and variety should be tied and wrapped in separate bunches so the parties you are shipping to know without unwrapping, color of flower in each bunch. This, you will find, is a lot of trouble if you have several varieties to keep separate and it seems that a mixed lot, if WRAPPED SEPARATE, don't bring the price straight lots do, and it is the returns that count. Could give several other reasons about on same line, but believe above is enough to convince you that a few good varieties are better to plant for cut flowers than several varieties, and not so many of that variety.



Assorted Colors for Home Planting

# Brief Description of the Paeonies I Offer



**Couronne d'Or**

**Achille**—(Calot)—Early delicate flesh pink. 25c each.

**Albatre**—(Crousse)—Large Compact globular rose type. Milk-white shaded ivory. Flowers fine and fragrant. Plant a vigorous grower. 50c each. \$4 per 10.

**Albert Crousse**—(Crousse)—Fresh salmon pink. Large, late fragrant flower. 50c each.

**Alexander Dumas**—(Guerin)—Salmon pink, 30c each. \$2.50 per 10.

**Alexandraina**—Large, full double rose type. Deep pink. Fragrant. 30c each. \$2.50 per 10.

**Avalanche**—(Crousse)—Large bloom, much like Albatre; a fine milk white with red markings. 30c each, \$2.50 per 10.

**Beaute Francaise**—Compact crown; pale lilac, rose and cream white; midseason. 40c each.

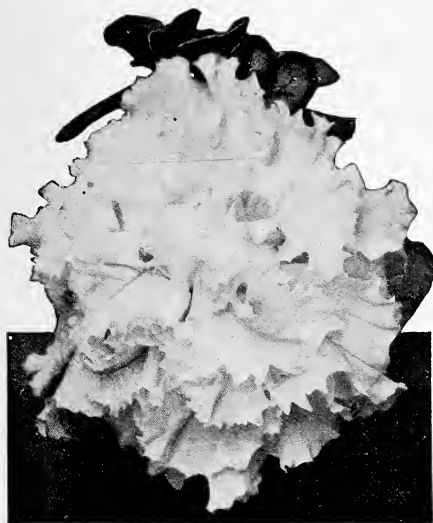
**Blanche Cire**—Fine glossy wax white. 40c each, \$3.00 per 10.

**Couronne d'Or**—Late, large, full flower of superb form; color white, reflecting yellow, outer petals bordered with carmine, showing golden stamens through the flower. 30c each, \$2.50 per 10, \$22.00 per 100.

**Delicatissima**—Mid-season to late; large flower of delicate clear pink; fine bud and strong stems; fragrant; a fine cut flower variety. 30c each. \$2.50 per 10, \$22.00 per 100.

**Baroness Schroeder**—(Kelway)—Mid-season to late; color flesh, changing to white, creamy center; strong grower; good bloomer; a beauty. 60c each, \$5.00 per 10.





**Dorchester**—Very late, large and full, fine pink if does not sun scald, each 30c. \$2.50 per 10.

**Duchess de Orleans**—Late, very pretty deep pink with violaceous tints on center petals interspersed with salmon; one of the best for cut flowers. 25c each, \$2.50 per 10, \$15.00 per 100.

**Duchess de Nemours**—(Calot)—Midseason, late, fine bud; cup-shape sulphur white flower, fading to pure white; especially fine in half-open bud. 25c each, \$2.25 per 10, \$20.00 per 100.

**Duke of Wellington**—(Calot)—Sulphur white flower, tall grower, midseason; good. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10.

**Edulis Superba**—Early fine flower; full high tufted center; color bright pink; very fragrant and good grower; good cut flower variety. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10, \$15.00 per 100.

**Emperor of Russia**—Crimson. \$1 each.

**Eugene Verdier**—Late, large cup-shaped bloom, flesh pink, shaded yellow and salmon; buds are slow in opening, making it a desirable cut flower variety; strong grower. 40c each, \$3.00 per 10.

**Felix Crousse**—Large, ball shaped, rich red flower; not a tall grower but a fine red. 50c each, \$4.50 per 10, \$40.00 per 100.

**Festiva Maxima**—Early to midseason; enormous full double flower of pure snow white, flaked with carmine spots; for a white, is hard to beat Festiva Maxima. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10, \$18.00 per 100, \$175.00 per 1,000.

**Floral Treasure**—Midseason to late; clear pink; much like Delicatissima; only difference I see is Delicatissima has a little more green in center of flower and a better grower. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10, \$15.00 per 100, \$130 per 1,000.

**Francois Ortegat**—Good, deep crimson; midseason to late; a good bloomer for a red; almost as full as Felix Crousse. 30c each, \$2.50 per 10.

**Francoise Rousseau**—(Des. 1909)—New rose shaped flower; intensely brilliant velvety red, showing golden stamens; erect habit. \$2.00 each, \$15.00 per 10.

**Golden Harvest**—Midseason; blush guard; yellow cream and carmine markings; a good flower; not a tall grower. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10, \$18.00 per 100.

**Jeane de Arc**—Similar if not identical with Golden Harvest. 30 each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20.00 per 100.





**Jenny Lind**—Tall, pink, with yellowish center; good. 40c each, \$3.50 per 10.

**Karl Rosenfield**—Rich, brilliant velvety crimson, good grower, tall, fine. \$1.50 each.

**Kohinoor**—Shell pink; very free; splendid cut flower. 30c each.

**Lady Alexandra Duff**—There has been many varieties sold under this name; the true variety has very broad petals and is a very pretty pink; flowers on the main stem are very double on established plants; but small plants and side blooms are often half single. \$6.00 each.

**La France**—(Lemoine 1901) — Large; apple blossom pink; by many considered finest of all, but I have seen many I consider better. \$4.00 each.

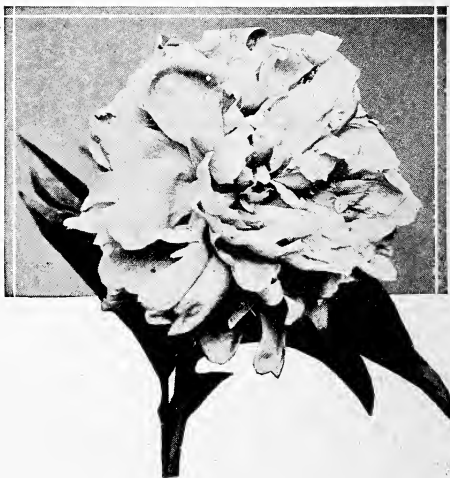
**Mme. Chaumy**—Soft pink, shaded bright rose; clearer on border of petals. 40c each, \$3.00 per 10.

**Mme. Crousse**—Midseason to late; large pure white with occasional carmine spots; fine bud and flower. 25c each. \$2.00 per 10, \$18.00 per 100.

**Mad de Vernville**—Early pyramid-shaped center; white with carmine spots; fine and a sure cropper. 30c each, ~~\$2.00~~ per 10; \$22.00 per 100.

**Mme. Emile Galle**—(Crousse 1881)—Large cup-shaped imbricated bloom; soft lilac with yellowish white center, changing to a creamy shade; petals bordered lilac; conspicuously fresh coloring; extra fine. 50c each, \$4.00 per 10.

**Mme Ducel**—~~Large~~ fine silvery lilac pink; very ~~double~~ and holds its color; also a good bloomer, 40c each, \$3.50 per 10.





## One Year Apple

### Prices, Spring 1923

	Each	Per 10	Per 100
3½ to 5 feet, branched.....	\$ .40	\$3.50	\$30.00
2½ to 3½ feet, not branched.....	.30	2.50	20.00

**Benoni**—Deep red stripes on rich yellow; juicy; mild subacid; fine dessert quality; early to mid July; bears freely and rather young.

**Connor's Sweet.**  
Delicious.

**Grimes Golden.**

**Jonathan.**

**Stayman Winesap.**

**Winesap.**

**Yellow Transparent.**

**Wilson June.**

### Raspberries

In addition to those in the catalog we can supply

**Kansas**—Black; large; firm; good quality; early; hardy; productive. 40¢ per 10, 70¢ per 25, \$2.50 per 100.

### Will You Do Us a Favor?

After you have made out your order, will you loan your catalog to a friend who may be interested? We thank you. We shall be glad to mail a catalog to any of your friends, or another to you, if you wish.

**Wild Bros. Nursery Co., Sarcoxie, Mo.**



**Mad. Emile Lemoine**—Large, full, imbricated bloom; white with pink cast; good flower. 50c each, \$4.00 per 10.

**Marguerite Gerard**—(Crousse 1892)—Large pale hydrangea; pink, becoming almost white; many of the petals having minute dark carmine flecks on the tips; fragrant; semi-rose type; late. 50c each, \$4.00 per 10.

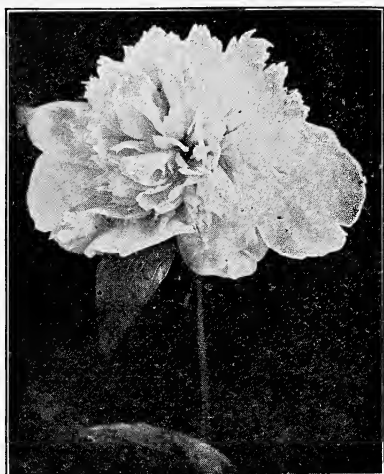
**Mireille**—(Crousse)—Late; large full imbricated flower; color paper white; no markings on stamens. \$1.00 each.

**Model de Perfection**—(Crousse)—Immense silvery pink; much like Mons. Jules Elie; these must be seen to be appreciated. 40c each, \$3.00 per 10, \$25.00 per 100.

**Mons Crousse**—Midseason; deep dark rich red. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10.

**Mons Dupont**—(Calot)—Large fine cup-shaped bloom; ivory white with carmine markings; extra fine; midseason to late 30c each, \$2.50 per 10, \$20.00 per 100.

**Mons Martin Cahuzac**—(Des. 1899)—Globular; semi-rose type; dark purple-garnet with black reflex; one of the darkest paeonies offered; strong grower; free bloomer; dark green foliage with red stems; midseason; fine. \$2.00 each.



**Octavie Demay**—(Calot 1867)—Very large; flat crown; pale hydrangea pink; fragrant; dwarf habit, but leaves run low on stalks and permit of cutting good length stems; this is a fine large pink and free bloomer. 60c each, \$5.00 per 10, \$40 per 100.

**Ornament Des. Massifs**—(Crousse 1893)—Large; full cup-shaped bloom; color a remarkable shade of fine glossy flesh shaded with pink; late. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10.

**Officinalis**—The old early peony with roots like sweet potatoes. Am offering the Pink and Red of this type mixed @ 30c each. \$2.50 per 10.

**Pierre Ducharte**—(Crousse 1895)—large fine, tall, pink, late; a beauty. \$1.00 each

**Prince de Talinoyke**—Very glossy; dark purple crimson; tall grower; fine; late; red. 40c each.

**Queen Victoria**—(Whitley)—Medium early; large; full compact bloom; center petals some years are tipped carmine; opens flesh white, cream center; this is the variety to plant if you are going into the cut flower business. 25c each, \$2.00 per 10, \$15.00 per 100, \$150 per 1,000.

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**Souv. de Bordeaux de Expo**—Wine colored red. 30c each, \$2.00 per 10.

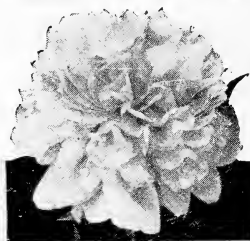
**Sarah Bernhardt**—(not the variety sold as Umbellata Rosea)—True Sarah Bernhardt is late flowering; compact; semi-rose type; uniform mauve-rose, silver tip, strong grower and fragrant; one of the best varieties offered anywhere. \$2 each.

**Therese** (Dessert 1904) Enormous compact rose type, developing later a high crown. Satiny pink changing to lilac white in the center with a glossy reflex.

Erect strong grower and produces typical large flowers on young plants. Undoubtedly the most beautiful peony yet produced. \$5.00 each.

**Umbellata Rosea**—(Unknown)—Large; rose type; guard s violet-rose, shading lighter; strong, upright grower and free bloomer; early; a fine pink. 40c each.

**Victor Hugo**—(Crousse. 1885)—Bomb. brilliant carmine-red; similar to Felix Crousse, yet not as good. 50c each, \$4.00 per 10.



If interested in Iris send for Iris Catalogue; have many new varieties that are fine.

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